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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
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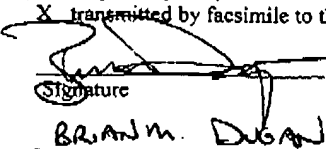
Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the Examiner's Office Action mailed, January 7, 2005 in which a three-month period for response expired on April 7, 2005. After granting the Request for a three-month extension of time, the response period will expire on July 7, 2005.

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Respectfully submitted,



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